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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 1074

Sponsors: Senators Rucho; Albertson, Allran, Ballance, Ballantine, Berger, Bingham, Carpenter, Carrington, Carter, Clodfelter, Cunningham, Dalton, Dannelly, Forrester, Foxx, Garwood, Gulley, Hagan, Harris, Hartsell, Horton, Hoyle, Jordan, Kerr, Kinnaird, Lee, Martin of Guilford, Metcalf, Miller, Odom, Rand, Reeves, Robinson, Shaw of Guilford, Swindell, Thomas, Warren, Webster, and Weinstein.

Referred to: Rules and Operations of the Senate.

April 5, 2001

1 A JOINT RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR A STUDY BY THE LEGISLATIVE
2 RESEARCH COMMISSION ON THE PRESCRIPTION OF RITALIN AND
3 OTHER DRUGS TO CHILDREN DIAGNOSED ADD/ADDH.

4 Be it resolved by the Senate, the House of Representatives concurring:

5 **SECTION 1.** The Legislative Research Commission shall study the
6 procedure to identify amphetamine/stimulant drugs, (for example Ritalin and Adderal)
7 based upon 'Attention Deficit Disorder' (ADD) and 'Attention Deficit Hyperactivity
8 Disorder' (ADDH) in diagnosed children. The study shall consider:

- 9 (1) The process of identification of students.
- 10 (2) The quality of diagnostic tests available to evaluate and confirm the
11 diagnosis.
- 12 (3) Interim review of the child's performance and status.
- 13 (4) Review of the procedures to provide medication.
- 14 (5) The short and long term effects on these children and alternative
15 modes of therapy.

16 **SECTION 2.** The advisory subcommittee conducting the study should
17 include participation by representatives of organizations or groups including but not
18 limited to the Medical Society, the Pediatric Society, the Department of Public
19 Instruction, the State Board of Education, the Public Health Director, and the
20 Psychiatric Association.

21 **SECTION 3.** The Legislative Research Commission shall report its findings
22 to the 2003 Regular Session of the General Assembly, along with any legislative
23 recommendations.

24 **SECTION 4.** This resolution is effective upon ratification.